

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(Attorney Docket No. 02-1106-A)

In the Application of:	)	
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Michael E. Jolley and	)	Confirmation No. 7002
Mohammad S. Nasir	)	
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Serial No.: 10/686,053	)	Examiner: Vanessa L. Ford
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Filed: October 14, 2003	)	
	)	Art Unit: 1645
For: Detection of <i>Salmonella</i> Cells By	)	
Fluorescence Polarization Inhibition Assays	)	

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 18, 2007**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 18, 2007, please consider the following remarks.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.